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- 1. DEPARTMENT ASSUMES THAT BASIC PURPOSE OF USDEL IN INTRODUCING AMENDMENT PARA 10 REFTEL IS (1) TO ENSURE EFFECTIVENESS OF SECRETARIAT SO AS TO AVOID PROBLEMS OF KIND THAT TRIGGERED WFC CONFRONTATION IN ROME, (2) TO ENSURE ADEQUATE PREPARATION FOR 2ND SESSION WFC AND (3) TO MEET AT LEAST PARTIALLY LDC DESIRES FOR BETTER GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH THESE OBJECTIVES BUT WOULD HAVE PREFERRED TO BE CONSULTED BEFORE INTRODUCTION OF AMENDMENT.
- 2. WE SEE TWO PROBLEMS WHICH COULD CROP UP WITH FORMU-LATION AS REPORTED: (A) IN SPITE OF TERM "SMALL SECRETARIAT," THE REFERENCE TO GEOGRAPHIC BALANCE AND THE REQUEST FOR "ALL NECESSARY....RESOURCES," ETC., COULD BE USED AS GROUNDS TO PRESS FOR SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN SIZE OF SECRETARIAT, POSSIBLY WITH INDEPENDENT BUDGET;

AND (B) FORMULATION APPEARS TO SUGGEST BYPASSING FAO, WHICH IS INTIMATELY CONNECTED WITH WFC AS LOCATION OF SECRETARIAT, IMPORTANT SUPPLIER OF SUBSTANTIVE INFORMATION AND OTHER WORK, AND PROVIDER OF PART OF SECRETARIAT. MINIMUM FAO INVOLVEMENT WITH ANY INCREASE IN SIZE OF WFC SECRETARIAT WILL CONSIST OF PROVISION OF SPACE, AND INCREASE MAY ALSO INVOLVE MORE SUBSTANTIVE WORK FOR FAO.

- 3. TO AVOID ABOVE PROBLEMS, USDEL IS REQUESTED TO TAKE ONE OF FOLLOWING TWO ACTIONS, PREFERABLY THE FIRST:
- (A) OBTAIN ALTERATION OF OPERATIVE PART OF SENTENCE COMPRISING AMENDMENT TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "....THAT THE GA, FOLLOWING APPROPRIATE CONSULTATION WITH THE FAO, PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY RESOURCES REQUIRED...." ETC.
- (B) IF THIS FURTHER AMENDMENT IS DEEMED INADVISABLE OWING TO ITS OPENING DOOR TO AMENDMENTS WHICH WOULD ENDANGER OTHER ELEMENTS OF RESOLUTION, USDEL SHOULD MAKE STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD IN PLENARY TO EFFECT THAT PURPOSE OF CLAUSE IS (1) TO FACILITATE MINIMAL REPEAT MINIMAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NECESSARY INCREASE IN SIZE OF WFC SECRETARIAT (2) IN COOPERATION WITH FAO. KISSINGER

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